

19 June: EPP LEADERS MEET IN BRUSSELS AHEAD OF THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL

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The EPP Heads of State and Government along with the three Presidents of the European Union 's institutions - **Janez JANSKA** of the European Council, **José Manuel BARROSO** of the European Commission, and **Hans-Gert POETTERING** of the European Parliament - will meet on 19 June 2008 in Brussels.

EPP Heads of State and Government further include **Angela MERKEL** (Germany), **Jan-Peter BALKENENDE** (The Netherlands), **François FILLON** (France), **Kostas KARAMANLIS** (Greece), **Jean-Claude JUNCKER** (Luxembourg), **Silvio BERLUSCONI** (Italy), **Yves LETERME** (Belgium), **Fredrik REINFELDT** (Sweden), **Lawrence GONZI** (Malta), **Donald TUSK** (Poland), **Traian BASESCU** (Romania), **Mikheil SAKASHVILI** (Georgia), **Yulia TYMOSHENKO** (Ukraine), **Nikola GRUEVSKI** (FYROM) and **Ivo SANADER** (Croatia).

Also, EPP Opposition Leaders and chairmen of EPP member parties will participate in the Summit.

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the EPP, **Wilfried MARTENS**, and assisted by the Secretary General of the EPP, **Antonio LOPEZ – ISTURIZ**.

On the agenda will be the preparation of the European Council (19 and 20 June) in Brussels.

EPP Summit:

Date: **19 June (from 13:00 hrs to 17:00 hrs)**

Venue: Académie Royale de Belgique

Rue Ducale, 1

1000 Bruxelles

Entrance for the Press: Corner Place du Trône and Rue Ducale (Metro Trône)

NOTE TO THE PRESS:

- There will be photo and TV opportunities during the meeting. Sound recording is not allowed.
- EPP President, **Wilfried Martens**, will give a press conference at the end of the meeting.
- Television vans may park in the STIB bus stops in Rue Ducale.
- For security reasons, please ensure that you bring a valid form of identification: journalists and cameramen will be given access to the venue upon presentation of their accreditation badge, issued by the European Council, or their national press ID card. Journalists without one of these documents must contact the EPP Press Officer, Javier Jiménez, (E-mail: jjimenez@epp.eu Tel: +32 2 285 41 56).

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